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***** **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE** *****

April 21, 2004- 8:00am

INCIDENT: Homicide (stabbing)

DATE: 04/20/04 **TIME:** 4:08pm

LOCATION: 477 Frasier Street (apartment)

VICTIM: Michael R. Henderson, B/M, 46 yoa, of Marietta,GA

SUSPECT: Cora Ballard, B/F, 45 yoa, of Chicago, IL

CHARGES: Homicide, aggravated assault,

Marietta Police Detectives are investigating an aggravated assault that lead to homicide that occurred yesterday afternoon in an apartment on Fraiser Street. It appears that a domestic argument between a boyfriend/girlfriend began in a friend's apartment and ended when the female stabbed the male once in the abdomen. Michael Henderson was taken to Kennestone Hospital with a serious stab wound and underwent surgery. He died early Wednesday morning. Several witnesses and the suspect were interviewed at Marietta Police Headquarters. It was determined that the victim's girlfriend, Cora Ballard, was the suspect in the assault. She was arrested and taken to Cobb Adult Detention Center. Detective P. Cowell obtained warrants on the suspect early this morning after the victim died from his injuries.